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Subpart 814.3—Submission of Bids

814.301 Responsiveness of bids.

Where the timeliness of the submission of a bid, modification or withdrawal cannot be administratively determined in accordance with FAR 14.301, the matter will be submitted by the contracting officer directly to the Comptroller General for decision. The submission will include copies of all pertinent papers. A copy of each submission will be forwarded to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisition and Materiel Management.

814.302 Bid submission.

A bid hand-carried by the bidder or his agent will be considered late unless delivered to the addressee designated in the bid invitation prior to the time set for opening.

 $[49~\mathrm{FR}~12599,~\mathrm{Mar}.~29,~1985,~\mathrm{as}~\mathrm{amended}~\mathrm{at}~50~\mathrm{FR}~791,~\mathrm{Jan}.~7,~1985]$

814.304 Late bids, late modifications of bids, or late withdrawal of bids.

814.304–2 Notification to late bidders.

The notification to late bidders will specify the final date by which the evidence must be received to be considered. This date must be within the time allowed by the apparent low bidder for acceptance of his bid.

814.304-4 Records.

All bids received by mail (or telegram where authorized) will be time and date stamped immediately upon receipt at the VA installation mail room and in the office of the addressee designated in the invitation. This will firmly establish the time of receipt of bids, or when bids are received in the office of the addressee subsequent to the time of opening, and it will establish whether or not the delay was due to mishandling on the part of VA.

[49 FR 12599, Mar. 29, 1984, as amended at 54 FR 40063, Sept. 29, 1989; 63 FR 69219, Dec. 16, 1998]

Subpart 814.4—Opening of Bids and Award of Contract

814.402 Opening of bids.

(a) The contracting officer shall serve as, or designate, a bid opening officer, and shall also designate a recorder.

(b) The form and amount of bid security and name of surety will be read aloud and recorded.

 $[49~{\rm FR}~12599,~{\rm Mar.}~29,~1985,~{\rm as~amended~at}~50~{\rm FR}~792,~{\rm Jan.}~7,~1985]$

814.403 Recording of bids.

The information required for bid evaluation shall be recorded on the appropriate Abstract of Offers form (SF 1409 or OF 1419). The evaluation data may be recorded on supplemental sheets or forms such as VA Form 10-2237b, Request for Dietetic Supplies, providing that such supplemental sheets or forms are covered by one of the forms authorized above for recording bid or price data. In addition to those instructions set forth in FAR 14.403, the bid opening officer shall certify on the abstract the date and hour at which the bids were opened. Where erasures, strikeovers, or changes in price are noted at the time of opening, a statement to that effect will also be included on, or attached to, the abstract or record of bids.

[49 FR 12599, Mar. 29, 1985, as amended at 61 FR 11586, Mar. 21, 1996; 63 FR 69219, Dec. 16, 1998]

814.404 Rejection of bids.

814.404-1 Cancellation of invitations after opening.

(a) A copy of each invitation for bids which is canceled as provided for in FAR 14.404–1, together with the abstract showing to whom such bids were sent, will be filed in a separate folder identified by the invitation number. Invitations for bids which result in no bids being received will be handled in like manner. In each instance the abstract will be annotated to show why an award was not made. These folders